TONY HILL MEMORIAL AWARD
2008

ELIGIBILITY
• Any individual from Santa Cruz County actively engaged in service benefiting the community in Santa Cruz County may be nominated.

GENERAL INFORMATION
• Separate nominations may be submitted for as many different individuals as desired
• All entries and supplemental materials will become the property of the Tony Hill Memorial Award Committee and will not be returned.
• The selection committee may request additional information from nominators or references for the committee’s consideration.
• Decisions of the selection committee are final.

CRITERIA
• Community Needs and Solution: Does the nominee’s activity meet a pressing community need or concern? Does it serve those who are disconnected from the larger community? Does the activity contribute to a long-term solution or does it provide recipients of the service with the tools to work toward a solution?
• Bridge Building: Do the activities of the nominee demonstrate hands-on service that results in building connections among diverse groups? Do the activities of the nominee promote equity and justice?
• Innovation: Do the activities of the nominee reflect innovative or unique approaches to solving social problems?

THE NOMINATION
Please complete the “Official Nomination Form” and attach a statement of up to 500 words describing the nominee’s activities. In addition, you may include no more than four additional pages of letters of reference and/or supportive materials. Nominations must be submitted by Wednesday, January 7, 2009. Nominations should be mailed to: Tony Hill Memorial Award Committee, P.O. Box 332, Aptos, California 95001.
The Nomination Form
1. Indicate the nominee’s complete name, mailing address, and telephone number.
2. Because finalists’ references will be contacted for verification of their activities and accomplishments, please choose three references that are familiar with and can be available to discuss the nominee’s community volunteering and service activities.
3. Indicate name, address and telephone number of the nominator and sign the nomination form. If appropriate, indicate the nominator’s title and organization.

The Statement
Please attach a narrative statement of up to 500 words, which describes the nominee’s service activities and which demonstrates how those activities meet the community’s social problems. Because the selection committee will utilize the criteria in the review process, please be sure that you address each of the criteria within the statement.

Accompanying Materials
These materials can include letters, testimonials, news clippings, pamphlets, etc. Anything over five pages will be discarded. Do not submit audio or videotapes, display materials, films, scrapbooks, as they will not be considered. Accompanying materials must be no larger than 8.5” by 11”. Include a photo of the nominee, if possible. All submitted materials become the property of the Tony Hill Memorial Award Committee and will not be returned.